

## ABOUT THE STATE

## HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST FROM DIFFERENT SECTIONS

The state has an exhibit at the Fair Haven fair this year for the first time.

Mrs. Flare Bigelow Blouette, a former resident of Stowe, is dead at San Diego, Cal.

The season for brook trout, lake trout and longnose darters, in streams and ponds alike.

A full grown skunk was killed by an automobile on North Main street in Rutland Thursday.

Harold Arthur Scogel, aged 17, is the first applicant to be sworn in at the naval recruiting station at Burlington.

Each of the first nine graduates of the teachers' training course at Leland and Gray have secured positions teaching.

Mrs. John Kelley of Burlington received a serious hurt to one hip when she fell while in the cellar of her home.

Howard F. Woodin of Pleasant street, Rutland, recently caught at lake Dunmore a lake trout that weighed 7 1/2 pounds.

A fine quality of white marble has been found by the United Marble company near the old Kelley quarry in South Wallingford.

Mildred Macville, a girl visitor in St. Johnsbury, fell from a swing on Wednesday afternoon and broke one arm just above the wrist.

Charles N. Chamberlain, for many years janitor of the Rutland county court and a civil war veteran, is dead at the age of 69 years.

Gates H. Barnard, the oldest member of the Mount Zion lodge, F. and A. M., is dead at Troy, N. Y. Mr. Barnard was born 84 years ago in Vermont.

The Vermont association of Life Underwriters will hold their annual meeting and business meeting on the steamer Ticonderoga on Lake Champlain, August 29.

Because the engine backfired as he was attempting to crank his car, James Meagher of North Bennington suffered a fractured right wrist, both bones being broken.

The 136th annual meeting of the Shattuck Association of Baptist churches will be held with the Brandon church next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerhardt Tonsath, married in Brattleboro Wednesday, will spend part of the honeymoon on a fishing and camping trip. Mrs. Tonsath is an ardent camper girl.

The fourth annual session of the Stratton Reunion association was held last Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lyons in Bennington and some 150 people enjoyed the festivities.

F. C. Cutler, a successful poultry dealer in Townshend is said to have a pullet of the Buff Wyandotte breed that was hatched on April 1 and laid its first egg August 14. Since then it has laid eight others.

Five hundred and eighty pupils have already registered for Burlington high school with the busiest week still to come. The high school building is built to accommodate 600 but at a pinch can take care of 675.

A demonstration of seven different ways to utilize wall apples was in progress this week in charge of Rutland county agent, Morton F. Downing, at the Fair Haven fair. Mrs. Downing prepared the seven recipes.

As a further precaution against the possibility of an infantile paralysis epidemic in Vermont the state board of health decided at a meeting held in Burlington that the schools of the state should not open before Sept. 18.

Citizens of Lunenburg tendered Colonel and Mrs. Frank D. Dale a public reception Wednesday. Col. Dale is to leave for his post as consul at Huddersford, England, on Saturday, and the reception was in the nature of a farewell.

A landslide on the Bennington side of Bunville notch during Wednesday, closed up half a mile of the new road being constructed there and caused the cessation of all traffic. The dirt fills the road to a depth of nine feet in spots.

A panel will be selected next Monday evening in the case of William French of Rutland, who is charged with breach of the peace in having killed a poodle belonging to A. Newman a few days ago. There is a jury trial at the plaintiff's request.

Dr. Charles E. Clark, the well known missionary, who has been spending some time in North Bennington, will go to Auburndale, Mass., this fall and take up research work at Harvard university. The war prevents him from renewing his missionary work abroad.

So dense was the smoke during the night of Wednesday in Bennington county because of forest fires in Washington county, N. Y., that many people thought their own houses were on fire and instituted thorough searches before they were convinced to the contrary.

For the second time in 16 days the Connecticut River Power company of Vernon has had one of its big generators burned out during an electrical storm, the last time on Wednesday afternoon. Half stones riddled the tobacco fields of J. T. Wright in Vernon. Loss due to the storm is estimated at several thousand dollars.

Still another offender of Brattleboro's

Meetings of the Board of Civil Authority to Revise the Checklist

The board of civil authority will meet for the above purpose in the city court room on the evenings of Tuesday, Aug. 29, and Sept. 5, at 8 o'clock p. m.

JAMES MACKAY, City Clerk.

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